

News Release



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Celebrate Women's History Month at Asilomar State Beach and Conference Grounds

PACIFIC GROVE, CA.— On Sunday, March 8, 2015, from 12 noon to 4:30 p.m. Asilomar State Beach and Conference Grounds will host an afternoon of free activities in celebration of Women's History Month.

From 12 noon to 2:30 p.m. visitors are invited to enjoy a self-guided 'Passport Tour' of several Julia Morgan-designed buildings at the Asilomar Conference Grounds. Julia Morgan was the first woman to receive a license to practice architecture in the State of California (1904), and in 2014 was the recipient of the American Institute of Architects Gold Medal Award, calling her the "first great female American architect." Tours start at the Phoebe Apperson Hearst Social Hall, where free tour brochures are available at the California State Parks Desk, located near the Park Store inside the building.

From 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. join Monterey Peninsula playwright, Carol Marquart, and local actors Keith Decker, Jay De Vine, Teresa Del Piero, Pat Horsley, Julie Hughett, and Deirdre McCauley, in the historic Grace Dodge Auditorium for a staged reading of 'The Women in the Life and Times of William Randolph Hearst' ~ previously presented as a part of Monterey Peninsula College's 2014 Gentrain lecture Series. The presentation is comprised of dramatic monologues accentuated by a PowerPoint show of historical photographs.

This free event is brought to you by California State Parks and Asilomar conference Grounds. Please consider supporting our park by partaking of lunch prior to the performance at the MaryAnn Crocker Dining Hall, from noon to 1:00 p.m., or lighter fare at Phoebe's Café, located inside the Phoebe Apperson Hearst Social Hall.

Event is free, but requires reservations for the presentation. To reserve seats for the 3:00 p.m. presentation, contact the Asilomar State Park Office: (831) 646-6443, or Asilomar.Interp@parks.ca.gov

For dining reservations, contact the Asilomar Conference Grounds Front Desk: (831) 372-8016.

California State Parks Mission

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